

Brownfields 2003 Grant Fact Sheet

Greenville, TX

EPA Brownfields Program

EPA's Brownfields Program empowers states, communities, and other stakeholders in economic development to work together to prevent, assess, safely clean up, and sustainably reuse brownfields. A brownfield site is real property, the expansion, redevelopment, or reuse of which may be complicated by the presence or potential presence of a hazardous substance, pollutant, or contaminant. On January 11, 2002, President George W. Bush signed into law the Small Business Liability Relief and Brownfields Revitalization Act. Under the Brownfields Law, EPA provides financial assistance to eligible applicants through four competitive grant programs: assessment grants, revolving loan fund grants, cleanup grants, and job training grants. Additionally, funding support is provided to state and tribal response programs through a separate mechanism.

Community Description

The City of Greenville was selected to receive an assessment grant. The city has targeted an industrial corridor that historically has been used for plastics and transformer manufacturing, oil refining, dry cleaning, cotton gins, gas stations, and print shops. Deteriorating buildings in the area have potential asbestos concerns as well. Greenville's population is 24,000. Most of the city's minority population lives in neighborhoods adjacent to the targeted area. Median family income is nearly 40 percent below the city average in these neighborhoods, which also have some of the highest poverty rates in Hunt County. The assessment and redevelopment of brownfields will augment city efforts to reuse the targeted area and bring capital investment



Assessment Grant



\$200,000 for hazardous substances \$200,000 for petroleum

EPA has selected the City of Greenville for brownfields assessment grants. The city is focusing on an area containing over 600 brownfields contaminated with petroleum and hazardous substances in the Old Town Greenville and Lee Street Corridor in downtown Greenville. Grant funds will be used to update an inventory of brownfields sites, involve the community in brownfields and future use decisions, and conduct Phase I and Phase II environmental assessments of sites within this corridor.

Contacts

For further information, including specific grant contacts, additional grant information, brownfields news and events, and publications and links, visit the EPA Brownfields web site at: www.epa.gov/brownfields.

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Grant Recipient: City of Greenville, TX 903-457-3160

Prior to receipt of these funds in fiscal year 2003, the City of Greenville has received brownfields funding for an assessment grant.

The cooperative agreement for this grant has not yet been negotiated; therefore, activities described in this fact sheet are subject to change.

and new jobs to the community. A Brownfield Advisory Committee, with representatives from throughout the community, will continue to help prioritize sites and plan for reuses.